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Frederic J. Klug et al. :
Serial No. 10/068,158 : Group Art Unit: 1731
Filed: February 5, 2002 : Examiner: C. A. Fiorilla
For METHOD FOR REMOVING VOLATILE :
COMPONENTS FROM A GEL-CAST
CERAMIC ARTICLE :

RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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In response to the Office Action mailed on February 25, 2004, please amend the
above-referenced application as follows.

If any additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicants
request that this be considered a petition therefor. The Director is hereby authorized to
charge any fees that may be required to Deposit Account 07-0868.

Listing of the Claims begin on page 3 of this paper;

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper; and

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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application: